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## 2ND BASE COACH

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**NOTE TO COACHES:** It is not always necessary to bush a thousand miles away from home. Penn State's Cal Emery came from a tank town ten miles away.

### THE DETROIT

Tigers have instituted a plan of giving five scholarships, one each to five different colleges in Michigan. If they gave all five to Michigan State, the Tigers would still owe Coach John Kobs about ten more, considering the boys the Tigers have taken from him previous to graduation. Our sincere congratulations to the Tigers for a progressive effort, regardless of how this plan works. This is good will in abundance.



THE BALTIMORE Club is reported to have given an ex-high school kid a bonus of \$100,000 plus. This amount would subsidize about ten excellent farm teams or 100 full time college baseball scholarships.

**A FABLE—**(Item from The Detroit Free Press), New York (AP) July 4, 1960—Tim Wilson, a former Bath, Michigan, High School pitcher, has been signed by the Baltimore Orioles for \$50,000 bonus. Scout George Gumbshoe outbid 9 other major league clubs for the services of the 220 pound, 6'-6" left hander. Wilson had been attending University of Michigan for the past two years on a Detroit Tiger baseball scholarship. John J. McHale, Tiger farm director, was so elated that he took a dive in a dry pool at the Detroit Athletic Club. President Harvey R. Hansen did a ½ gainer layout with 1½ forward somersault tuck.

**"WE CAN'T** wait until a boy is twenty-two years of age to sign him to play professional baseball; he should have several years of schooling in the minor leagues." Professional basketball and professional football don't think a boy is ready until he is over twenty years old. What is Professional Baseball going to do when they run out of minor leagues? Which reminds us of a man who has lost an argument. He always thinks he wins if he can end up by saying "so what?".

**U. S. SUPREME COURT** rulings have held the anti-trust laws do not apply to Professional Baseball, but they do affect pro-football. Out of 160,000,000 souls, this country is lucky to have nine men who can throw this kind of a pitch.

**A PROFESSIONAL** baseball scout occasionally can pick up a boy who can't miss. There are lots of college kids who appear to be able to run, hit, field and throw, but there is no way to determine if the prospect has heart and stomach.

The kid's coach might have an idea, and major leagues might save a little money if the coach were consulted.

## Tiger Scholarship Plan Boosted



### 'Step In Right Direction'—AACBC Prexy

The Detroit Tigers plan to provide scholarships for collegiate baseball players is "a step in the right direction" and will cut some "under the table deals, declares L. C. (Cap) Timm, president of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches.

Harvey R. Hansen, president of the Detroit Baseball Company, announced recently that an initial sum of \$5,000 has been set aside to provide the scholarships for five Michigan schools.

**TIMM**, in an interview with the Collegiate Baseball Digest, said: "I believe this is a step in the right direction. It may bring college and professional baseball interests closer together.

"There have always been some clubs which have had under the table deals in which players were sent through school. Perhaps the Detroit plan will bring an end to this.

"I believe the Detroit action indicates that at least some professional baseball people are realizing that by Campus raiding they are killing the goose that laid the golden egg.

"Perhaps they are beginning to recognize that they will have to support college baseball.

"I personally believe the plan could work if the money is administered legitimately through university scholarship channels.

**"PROBABLY THIS** will open up the eyes of other major league teams. Others may see their way clear to follow the Detroit club's initiative."

The scholarship program as announced by Detroit will benefit, if accepted by both pro baseball and the NCAA, five Michigan schools at the outset—University of Michigan, Michigan State, Western Michigan, University of Detroit and Wayne State.

As the scholarship program grows, it would be expanded to other schools. The program, which will grow to \$8,600 annually in four years, will be administered by a non-profit corporation named the Detroit Baseball Company Education Foundational, Inc., with Hansen, John E. Fetzer, Detroit board chairman, and Harry M. Sisson, executive vice-president, as trustees.

The plan is to provide funds to aid a maximum of 20 men in the fourth year of operation.

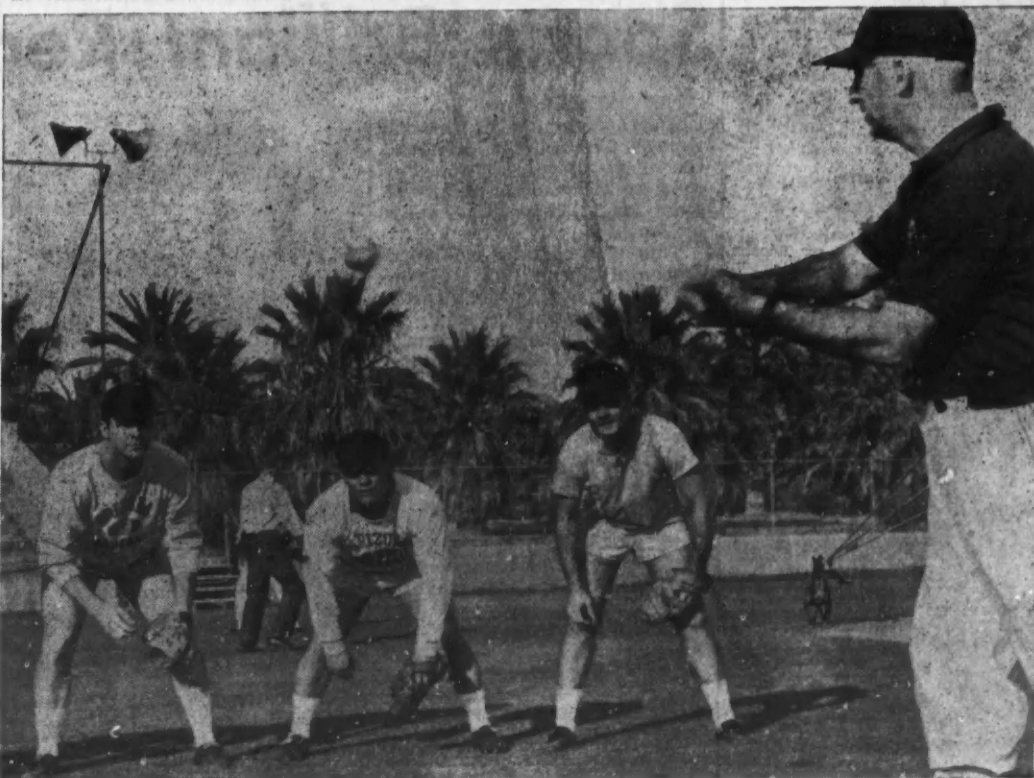
"This is a no-strings attached program to aid boys interested in playing baseball and furthering their education. Our scholarship fund was developed to enhance the status of baseball as a major

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## the snows of Connecticut...

Collegiate baseball, the fastest growing sport from coast to coast, is a sport of contrast. In Storrs, Conn. (photo above), veteran Coach J. O. (Christy) Christian (right) and three of his players hunt for home plate during winter snows. Players left to right are Pitcher John Risley, Pitcher Bob Wedin and Infielder Ted Kosior. The snow photo was only a gag for the University of Connecticut team has opened drills—indoors—for the 1958 season. But in Sunny Tucson, the University of Arizona began practice outdoors early in February. And the shorts were no gag; the weather was warm enough for swimming. Arizona Coach Frank Sancet is on the right and his players in the pepper game (left to right) are Infielder Gene Leek, Outfielder Matt Encinas and Infielder Jerry Lewis. See Page Two for stories on the Connecticut and Arizona ball clubs.

## ...under the hot Arizona sun



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# Cactus Country Baseball -- Long And Strong

## Arizona Nine Will Play 48-Game Schedule; Training Underway

TUCSON, Ariz.—Out here in the Cactus Country they believe in collegiate baseball.

... they believe in playing it strong and playing it long.

The University of Arizona's baseball team is the only one in the nation to have won three consecutive trips to the College World Series in Omaha. The Wildcats didn't win the national championship but on their last trip they carried Minnesota into an extra game before losing to the Big Ten champions in the finals.

**THEY SAY** they started playing collegiate baseball out this way as soon as they herded Geronimo on to a reservation. But it is more accurate to say that J. F. (Fritz) McKale, who left Michigan for adventure in the west, started Arizona on the way with representative teams in 1914.

Fritz coached from '14 to 1949 when he brought up one of his former ball players, the hard-driving Frank Sancet, who had quit college for a spell of professional baseball and then found out the college campus was the place for him.

Sancet's record at Arizona is nothing short of fantastic. His teams have won 293 out of 368 games—a batting average of .790—one of the finest in the nation, if not the finest.

Sancet believes in playing a hefty schedule. This year his Wildcats will play 48 games.

**"OF COURSE,** the weather helps us a great deal," Sancet explains. "We can get out-doors in February and I mean work out in shorts and T-shirts.

"But I believe in playing a lot of games. We have a practice period in February and then we kick off our schedule in March.

"I feel the kids can learn a lot more by actually playing. I go by the professional theory that you play ball games to make progress."

Folks out of the cactus country can't figure how a collegiate team can play so many games and still have the players go to school.

Arizona has an easy way to solve that problem. It plays almost all of its games at home. The only time the Arizona club plays away from home is during spring vacations or on Saturdays.

Weekday games start at 3 p.m. and Coach Sancet keeps handy what he calls an 'availability schedule'. The schedule shows what classes his players have during the week. If they have late classes, they just report late to the playing field.

At one time last year Sancet had second basemen playing every infield position for the first three innings until other players came out of classes.

**YET THE SYSTEM** pays off. Last year Arizona figured to have a so-so club. It was a year for rebuilding after Donnie Lee signed a Detroit contract and Carl Thomas signed with Cleveland. Both were pitching greats for the school.

But the Wildcats put together a brilliant 34-10 record and then lost out to Texas in the District Six playoffs.

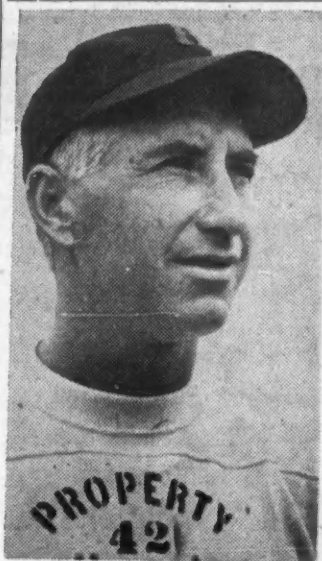
This year Sancet figures to have an improved ball club if pitching comes through.

Dave Baldwin, currently being chased by pro scouts (they say he may draw a \$50,000 bonus or more), returns with a 6-1 record. He was tabbed the outstanding rookie player in the National Non-Pro tourney at Wichita last summer. Birdie Morago, an Indian hurler from a reservation west of Tucson, had an 8-2 record.

Jim Ward, a transfer from Pasadena, Calif., City College; Lionel Romero of Albuquerque, and Jim Geist of Denver, are figured top prospects.

Rounding out the '58 hurling staff are Bobby Encinas, Bob Maxwell, Tom McIntosh, Frank Overton, Norman Popkin, Ruben Velasco, Chuck Osterman and Chad Brucker.

**CATCHING IS** expected to be improved with Alan Hall of San Diego, Larry Firecoat of Madras,



FRANK SANCET

College Ball's Largest Schedule.

Ore., Bill Farrell of Burbank, Calif., Jim Briery of Piedmont, Calif., and Bob Harris of Portland, Ore.

In the infield Harry Messick of San Mateo (.356 1st year) is tops at first base and will be backed up by Linn Wallace of Tucson and Mike Schliebaum of Compton, Calif. John Colyer (.319) of Phoenix and Jim McConnell of Glendora, Calif., are working at second; Jerry Lewis of Phoenix (.400) and Jesus Ruiz of Nogales, Mexico, and Jerry Wamsley of Tucson are dueling at shortstop and Gene Leek of San Diego and Jon Conner of Phoenix are key third base candidates.

Top outfielders are Marty Hurd of Vallejo, Calif. (team batting leader with .481 last year); Dick Griesser, Phoenix player, who played for the U. S. Olympic team last year; Dick Nixon, of Stanford, Conn. (.333); Matt Encinas, Porterville, Calif.; Lee Hirsch, Los Angeles; Jim Nowinski, Tucson; Jim McGuire, Tucson; Jim Wilson, Whittier, Calif.; Dick Little, Ogden, Utah, and Larry Hoffman, Parker Ariz.

Here is Arizona's playing schedule for 1958:

Mar. 1—Arizona Frosh at Tucson  
Mar. 7—Camp Pendleton Marines at Tucson  
Mar. 8—Camp Pendleton Marines at Tucson  
Mar. 10—Sull Rose College at Tucson  
Mar. 11—Sull Rose College at Tucson  
Mar. 14—New Mexico University at Tucson  
Mar. 15—New Mexico University at Tucson  
Mar. 18—Colorado State at Tucson  
Mar. 19—Colorado State at Tucson  
Mar. 21—Air Force Academy at Tucson  
Mar. 22—Air Force Academy at Tucson (doubleheader)  
Mar. 24—Utah University at Tucson  
Mar. 25—Utah University at Tucson  
Mar. 26—Utah University at Tucson  
Mar. 27—Wyoming University at Tucson  
Mar. 28—Wyoming University at Tucson  
Mar. 29—Wyoming University at Tucson  
Mar. 31—Iowa University at Tucson  
Apr. 1—Iowa University at Tucson  
Apr. 2—Iowa University at Tucson  
Apr. 3—Iowa University at Tucson  
Apr. 5—Iowa University at Phoenix (doubleheader)  
Apr. 7—Los Angeles State at Los Angeles  
Apr. 8—Pepperdine College at Los Angeles  
Apr. 9—Los Angeles State at Los Angeles  
Apr. 10—Pepperdine College at Los Angeles  
Apr. 11—UCLA at Los Angeles  
Apr. 12—UCLA at Los Angeles  
Apr. 15—El Toro Marines at Tucson  
Apr. 16—El Toro Marines at Tucson  
Apr. 19—Arizona State at Tempe  
Apr. 19—Arizona State at Tempe  
Apr. 25—Pepperdine College at Tucson  
Apr. 26—Pepperdine College at Tucson  
Apr. 28—Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Tucson  
Apr. 29—Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Tucson  
Apr. 30—Fort Huachuca at Tucson  
May 3—Arizona State at Tucson  
May 3—Arizona State at Tucson  
May 7—New Mexico A&M at Tucson  
May 7—New Mexico A&M at Tucson  
May 9—Casa Grande Cotton Kings at Tucson  
May 12—Davis-Monthan AFB at Tucson  
May 13—Davis-Monthan AFB at Tucson  
May 15—Ft. Huachuca at Tucson  
May 17—Casa Grande Cotton Kings at Casa Grande

## Connecticut Poised for 63rd Season

STORRS, Conn.—The University of Connecticut will open its 63rd season of collegiate baseball on March 28, but the Huskies will travel south to get in their first game.

With snow on the ground, the Huskies open indoor workouts this week.

**THEN THEY** will head south for a seven-game spring training trip. The regular season will open April 11, if the snow is off Gardner Dow Field.

On the swing south Connecticut will compete in the Dixie Classic in North Carolina with North Carolina, North Carolina State, Wake Forest, Lafayette, Massachusetts, Duke and Princeton.

In regular season play Connecticut will meet the same opponents which it played last year when the Huskies won the NCAA District I championship.

**J. ORLEAN (CHRISTY) CHRISTIAN** begins his 24th year as head baseball coach for the Huskies. In his 23 seasons Christy, a native of Minnesota, has put together a record 189 wins, 157 losses and 8 ties. He is a vice-president of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches.

Among his key players this year will be Pitcher Bob Wedin, First baseman-outfielder Moe Morhardt and Outfielder Ken Cullum.

Connecticut's 1958 schedule:

March 28—Maryland at College Park  
March 29—North Carolina State at Raleigh  
March 31—Dixie Classic at Durham, N. C.  
April 1-2—Dixie Classic at Winston-Salem, N. C.  
April 3—North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
April 5—Long Island University at Brooklyn, N. Y.  
April 11—Maine at Storrs  
April 12—Maine at Storrs  
April 16—Massachusetts at Storrs  
April 17—Northeastern at Boston  
April 19—Rhode Island at Kingston  
April 23—Wesleyan at Storrs  
April 26—Boston University at Storrs  
April 30—American International at Storrs  
May 3—New Hampshire at Durham  
May 5—Massachusetts at Amherst  
May 6—Yale at New Haven  
May 10—New Hampshire at Storrs  
May 14—Coast Guard at New London  
May 17—Springfield at Storrs  
May 20—Rhode Island at Storrs  
May 21—Holy Cross at Worcester  
May 23—Vermont at Storrs  
May 24—Vermont at Storrs

Alabama has sent 37 players to the major leagues.

## Illini To Head For 'Wild' West

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.—A solid, experienced pitching staff is expected to make Coach Lee Eilbracht's 1958 University of Illinois baseball team a contender for Big Ten conference title. Illini finished in a tie for second place last season.

Right handers Frank Schwartz and Bob "Ted" Tedesco will form

nucleus of Eilbracht's mound crew. Lefty Jim Flynn is probable third starter. Senior Ron Richards probably will be number one reliever, with newcomer Tom Prucha still to be worked into the picture.

**WAYNE LANTER**, regular catcher last year, has dropped out of school. However, Tom Haller's best position is behind the plate, and he will be moved into that spot from first base. Haller led the 1957 team in home runs and runs batted in.

The infield will be built around Bob Klaus, brother of professional Billy Klaus. A junior, Bob was all-conference shortstop in his first season last year. He hit .394 in the Western Conference.

Senior Ray Thonn will move in at first base, where he alternated with Haller last year. Casey Barszcz returns at third base. Junior Jim Vermette and sophomore Bob Madix will contend for the keystone berth.

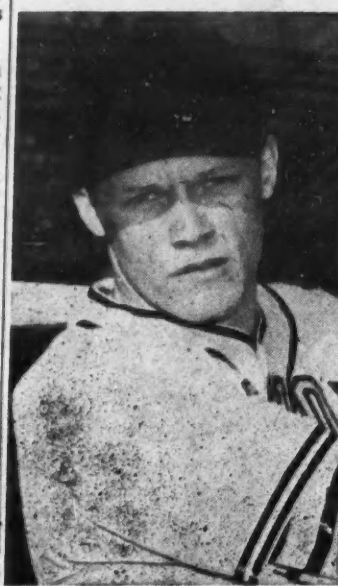
**OUTFIELD SHOULD** be adequate defensively, but lacks proven hitters of Big Ten calibre. Rich Pawlow and John Kating both return. Sophomores John Jurasevich and Dave Buyher are considered prospects.

Graduation losses were heavy, and top sophomore prospect Bob Burda recently signed a bonus contract with the St. Louis Cardinals. Still Eilbracht seems to have nucleus for a good team.

The season opens with a Western trip to Oklahoma and Arizona State—most ambitious spring training jaunt in Illini history.

Trinity (Conn.) College had a record of fourteen wins and five losses last year. Featured were wins over Navy, Yale, Columbia and Amherst.

George Wolfman, head baseball coach from the University of California, was selected "Coach of the Year" by his fellow coaches in 1957.



BOB KLAUS

Follows brother's footsteps.

## Texans Return Baseball to Campus

SAN MARCOS, Tex.—Southwest Texas State returns baseball to its campus for the first time since 1929.

The school will open a 14-game schedule against Southwestern University March 10 at San Marcos.

R. W. Parker Jr. is head baseball coach for the Bobcats and will be assisted by Dr. Bill Pool.

**MT. PLEASANT**—Central Michigan College's head baseball mentor Bill Theunissen is quite an amateur golfer. He won the recent Central Michigan amateur links crown at Alma.

## St. John's Jack Kaiser Sports Brilliant Record

NEW YORK—Youthful Jack Kaiser, sporting one of the best won-lost records in national coaching circles, figures to come up with another well-rated team for St. John's University of Brooklyn.

This will be only the third season of coaching the Redmen for Kaiser, but he has already posted an enviable record... a record of 36 victories and only 8 losses and two trips to the NCAA playoffs.

**KAISER TWICE** was an All-Metropolitan Conference baseball choice in 1947 and 1949 and in the latter year was picked the outstanding college player of the season by Varsity Magazine. In 1949 he captained the St. John's team which went to the NCAA semi-final playoffs before being ousted.

Kaiser played pro ball in the Canadian-American, Piedmont and Eastern Leagues. He was named head baseball coach at St. John's in 1956. Following the collegiate season last summer Kaiser managed the Lexington Red Sox in the Nebraska State rookie league.



JACK KAISER

Last season the Redmen of St. John's put together a brilliant 21-5 record, losing out to

Penn State in the District 2 NCAA playoff.

**THE TOP TWO** hitters of 1957—Jim Riley (.368) and Mike Ricigliano (.322)—and veteran Catcher Walt Brady are gone. But St. John's has two key pitchers returning—Edward Brennan who was 5-0 last year and Emil Viola, 6-2.

Senior Joe Wilson, a 6-3, 195-pounder, moves into the catching position and is backed up by two sophomores, Bob Kopersinski and Jim Pappas.

Infield regulars Hugh Kirwan (.289) and John Kurila (.200) form the nucleus of the inner defense with sophomores bidding for the other positions. In the outfield, too, regulars are gone and Coach Kaiser will pick from Seniors John Rossi, Gerald Kirkwood and Alex Smiros and sophomores Joe Fraumeni, Art Jasinski and Dominick Moreo.

Infielders Bill Maloney, Chris Affrunti, Ted Schrieber and Catcher Pappas all are moving up to the varsity from a fine freshman team which had an 18-3 record.

## Son Of Bucky Walters Hurls For Pa. Club

GETTYSBURG, Pa. — Robert Thomas Hulton, former York JC coach, opens his first season as Gettysburg head baseball coach.

Hulton succeeds Henry T. Bream who will devote full-time to his duties as Gettysburg's athletic director.

**BREAM COACHED** Gettysburg baseball for 7 years, taking over when Ira Plank, brother of the famous Eddie Plank of the Philadelphia Athletics, died.

Hulton, a graduate of Grove City College, began his coaching career at York, Pa. Junior College in 1946.

In his first season at Gettysburg he will have a 20-game baseball schedule.

Gettysburg lost via graduation last June, regulars Jack Bream, first base; Vince Scola, second base; Art Hendley, shortstop; Joe Robinski, catcher; starting pitcher John Schleicher. But a strong nucleus returning lettermen plus promising sophomores from last



CAPITANI

WALTERS

year's freshmen team and experience mound corps makes 1958 outlook bright.

Arloe Olsen takes over at first base. Walt Palmer who saw action at 2nd base last year is expected to move into the shortstop slot with Jeff Kahler, up from last year's frosh team expected to share this role. Ritter Smith and Ron Venturini who saw service at second base last year will compete for starting role at this position.

Larry Liedel will again hold down the third base position. Bruce Wandling, second string catcher last year may get the starting spot this year. However, Leroy Bream, who was Gettysburg's most versatile player and who appeared in utility role as left-fielder, catcher and pitcher when mound reinforcement was needed, may push Wandling for starting role this year.

**THE OUTFIELD** is secure with returning lettermen. Frank Capitani will again be in centerfield where he has been outstanding for the past year. He is a .300 hitter, good base runner and fielder.

Harry Binger, Bob Rohrbaugh and Ronnie Brandt complete the outfield, all three are experienced and saw lots of action the past two seasons.

The mound corps will have three experienced lettermen. Right-hander Bill Walter, son of Bucky Walters, former major league pitcher and Giants' coach will again be a starter along with Owen Roizman and Dick Hawkins, both left-handers. Up from last year's frosh team is a promising sophomore, Jack McCracken, who established himself as a hurler of considerable promise last year. He is a right-hander. Tom Knox, another sophomore who hurled for last year's freshman team will round out the pitching staff for 1958.

April 1—Wilkes at Gettysburg  
April 3—Syracuse at Gettysburg  
April 5—Cornell at Gettysburg  
April 9—Elizabethtown at Gettysburg  
April 10—Dickinson at Gettysburg  
April 12—Temple at Philadelphia  
April 15—Western Maryland at Gettysburg  
April 21—Muhlenberg at Gettysburg  
April 23—Lafayette at Gettysburg  
April 24—Susquehanna U. at Gettysburg  
April 26—Dickinson at Carlisle  
May 2—Penn State at State College  
May 3—Albright at Gettysburg  
May 6—Johns Hopkins at Gettysburg  
May 10—Franklin & Marshall at Gettysburg  
May 13—Lehigh at Bethlehem  
May 15—Bucknell at Gettysburg  
May 17—Scranton U. at Scranton  
May 20—Franklin & Marshall at Lancaster  
May 21—Lebanon Valley at Annville

## Babe Ruth League Sets European Diamond Program

TRENTON, N. J.—Lt. Colonel Dominic J. George, Chief of Special Services for the United States Air Forces in Europe, has been named first European Director of Babe Ruth League Baseball, it was announced recently in Headquarters of the world's largest diamond program for 13-15 year-old boys.

Lt. Col. George's appointment followed command approval of the program by the Office of the Commander-in-Chief, USAFE.

**DETAILS OF** the 1958 Babe Ruth League activities in Europe were mapped Jan. 27-31 at the annual baseball clinic sponsored by the Air Force in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany. Lt. Col. George and other representatives of Air Force bases will set up leagues in the various military outposts in England, France and Germany.

The clinic will be marked by appearance of ex-Cleveland manager Kerby Farrell, National League umpire Jocko Conlan, and major leaguers Dick Donovan, Sherman Lollar, George Kell and "Rip" Collins of the 1934 World Champions, St. Louis Cardinals' "Gas House Gang."

**WAYNE B. McCONNELL**, Vice President of Babe Ruth League,

# Committee Named To Study New Summer Baseball Rule

Members of a special NCAA committee will meet in Chicago Feb. 16-17 to implement the new official rule for the participation of collegians in summer baseball leagues.

Named to the special NCAA committee are Ralph O. Coleman, Oregon State College; John H. Kobs, Michigan State; George Shiebler, Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference assistant commissioner; Bernie A. Shively, University of Kentucky and J. A. Tomlinson, Arkansas State College. Shively has been named chairman.

**THE COMMITTEE** also will Inc., recently met with Colonel Stevenson and others to finalize plans for Colonel George's appointment. McConnell is director of sports and special events for The Coca-Cola Company sponsors of Babe Ruth League, Inc. It is estimated that 4,000 to 5,000 youngsters between the ages of 13 to 15 are on American bases in Europe and hundreds of thousands of native youngsters are expected to become interested in the BRL programs under the military auspices.

meet with representatives of summer baseball leagues to study the new rulings passed by the NCAA Council.

Investigation of summer baseball began last year after complaints had been aired as to the eligibility of players competing in the hotel and resort area leagues.

The following is a digest of the summer baseball rule proposed by the American Association of College Baseball Coaches.

1—A student-athlete may play summer baseball as an amateur on any team not under the jurisdiction of professional baseball, it being understood that he may not receive pay for participation. The student athlete may participate against professional athletics but he may not participate on a professional team.

2—Participants in organized summer leagues may only hold jobs which are legitimate in their nature and function.

3—The student-athlete must be gainfully employed for at least 32 hours per week on the job and compensation shall be

commensurate with the going rate of that locale.

4—Due to recognized schedule difficulties, the student-athlete shall be allowed to play baseball whenever feasible providing this does not interfere with his opportunity to work at least 32 hours per week.

5—**SUCH REGULATIONS** do not apply to unorganized sum-organized local competition. It is explained that the reason for exempting those organized leagues confined to a community is that the talent for such leagues comes from the immediate area where boys live at home and work full-time on a job in the community and play at night or on week-ends.

6—Teams will be permitted to provide transportation to out-of-town games and to provide meals and lodging if necessary.

7—Minimum transportation costs for the student-athlete may be paid by the baseball club from and to his home.

8—There can be no cash allowances or bonuses paid in the cases of intra-league or inter-league playoffs.

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## The Press Box:

The Digest's Formula:  
Telling College Story

By ABE CHANIN

THEY'VE ASKED us what formula will we use for the Collegiate Baseball Digest.

All newspapers and magazines, the experts tell us, must have a formula.

We're just country folk—or desert rats as they call 'em out west—and we always figured a formula was for the chemistry end of the campus.

And in reality we've never set on paper a formula for the Digest. But we might tell you what we had in mind. We began with the premise that college baseball has a great story to tell and nowhere to tell it.

We talked to many players, coaches and baseball fans. Their ideas—really your ideas—were about the same. Tell us the story about collegiate baseball, the kids who play it, the coaches who coach it, the

scores, the tournaments and the records.

So if that is what makes a formula, I suppose we have a formula, too, just like the magazine boys in New York City.

We're hoping to tell the story of collegiate baseball teams throughout the country. If you miss a yarn on your favorite ball club, write us, or better still jar the coach and his college publicity man. Tell them to push material our way.

Formula or no formula we're interested in collegiate baseball from Slippery Rock to Walla Walla.

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**WRITING OF** the untimely death of Jelly SoRelle of Baylor, Dave Campbell of the Waco Tribune-Herald tells the story of how the Texas' 'small-town' boy was taken aback on a trip to Philadelphia.

"Jelly was always up and about before everyone else. That morning he and a companion stepped around the corner from the hotel to a fancy little place and ordered coffee, toast and then a piece of pie. The bill came to something like \$2.80. Jelly took one look and started getting his gear together for the trip home.

"I knew I didn't belong up there," he grumbled."

Campbell, who wrote that pre-season prospects, indicate that Baylor might have fielded one of its finest baseball teams for SoRelle this spring.

There was possible championship hopes at Baylor and the boys will be trying to make those hopes a reality this spring.

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**CARL BOLIN**, who runs the Monarch Baseball Camp in Colorado, drops a note about baseball in his collegiate days.

"Back in 1929 when I played with the Kirksville, Missouri State College ball club we were allowed \$1 per day for meals on trips.

"After we held out enough for a movie, it was plain to see that none of us was eating too high on the hog. During a four-game trip we had given Maryville, Mo. Teachers a couple of good sound beatings."

"But even though the scores were lop-sided, Don Faurot didn't like the idea of our big Indian sub-outfielder sitting down at times in the third base coaching box. Chief Hammond was a natural clown and his actions were excusable as long as we were winning. But the coach didn't see it that way and bawled him out.

"During an off day on the trip we layed over in Kansas City and saw an American Association game. Faurot pointed out to Chief Hammond that the Toledo third base coach wasn't sitting down in the box.

"You don't see that fellow sitting down", Faurot said.

"And the Chief fired back: 'Um, I'll bet that fellow gets more than dollar a day to eat on!'"

Ex-Marine Draws  
Cartoons For  
Digest

The cartoons appearing in the Collegiate Baseball Digest are the artistry of 23-year-old Ex-Marine George Carey of Tucson, Ariz.



CAREY

Carey graduated from Tucson High School where he played football on its 1951-52 championship football squads as a guard and is now enrolled at the Milan Studio of Art in Tucson where he is furthering his

knowledge in the career of sports cartooning.

Carey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Casper H. Carey was a member of the National Art Honor Society while he was at Tucson High School. After graduating Carey served for two years of active duty with the United States Marine Corps, and is now a sergeant in the Marine reserve.

Cartoons by George Carey will be seen throughout the year highlighting many of college baseball's brightest stars and coaches.

## The Letterbox

Even Better . . .

EDITOR:

Congratulations on a wonderful first issue. It exceeded even all the nice things I heard about your publication before you went to press.

ALEX LAGGIS  
Sports Publicist  
Central Michigan College  
Mount Pleasant, Mich.

From Ex-Star

EDITOR:

Congratulations on a very fine idea. The Collegiate Baseball Digest is one of the most interesting baseball papers I have read yet. Enclosed is a check for my subscription for 1958.

RICK FERRELL  
Detroit Baseball Co.  
Greensboro, N. C.

Commissioner Writes

EDITOR:

Congratulations to you and your colleagues upon successful establishment of the Collegiate Baseball Digest, and good luck both to the publication and to its editor.

With best wishes, I am,

ASA S. BUSHNELL  
Commissioner  
Eastern College  
Athletic Conference

From the  
"Baseball Bible"

EDITOR:

I noted with much interest the AP gave you a break on your new publication.

Please put us down for a subscription. With all good wishes, we remain,

J. G. TAYLOR SPINK  
General Manager  
The Sporting News  
St. Louis, Mo.

From "Youngster"

EDITOR:

Congratulations on your daring enterprise. Here's hoping you are successful. Like your publication, Brandeis University is young—this is only our seventh year of varsity sports—but we're making our presence known in football and basketball. And we have hopes of denting the baseball pic-

Tips From

## The Coaching Box

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Otto Vogel, Iowa's veteran baseball coach, penned this infield 'tidbits' for this week's Coaching Box. Vogel begins his 30th year at Iowa. A graduate of Illinois in 1923 he won All-American in Baseball and also won letters in football and basketball. After graduation he joined the Chicago Cubs and played in the outfield and in the infield. A bad arm forced him out of major league ball in 1925. He joined the University of Iowa staff that year. Major leaguers produced by Vogel at Iowa included Mace Brown, Joe Mowry, Forrest Twogood, Francis Mulroney, Don Gugler, Jack Bruner and Jack Dittmer. Otto's Big Ten coaching record is 393-293-9 for a .572 percentage.)

By OTTO VOGEL  
University of Iowa

1. Always keep in mind the score, inning, call on the batter, number of outs and strength and weakness of the opposition. This helps you to shift according to game situations.

2. Figure you will be involved in the next play. Be ready.

3. Never make a useless throw, and in case you make

an error, figure out ahead of time what your next move will be. The throw, if any, generally goes to first.

4. It's easier to come up on a hop than to go down for a skipper. Consequently always play low.

5. When possible get squarely in front of a grounder, and when you can, charge all ground balls. Don't float.

6. Follow the ground ball into your glove. Reach ahead in a relaxed manner and as the ball gets into the glove, give.

7. Call loudly and repeatedly on a fly ball you can handle. If you can, move your arms at the same time. This helps alert any other fielder that you have the play.

8. Remember an outfielder coming in has a better chance at a fly you both can safely reach. He has the right of way unless you call first.

9. Charge at any baserunner who stops or hesitates between bases. Keep the leverage ahead of him. Either get him or drive him back to the base he left. There should never be more than two exchanges on a rundown.

10. On rundowns, place yourself just off the line for a target and when you throw the ball often use a sidearm throw. This helps to eliminate the possibility of hitting the runner.

11. Have signs with the catcher and pitcher for pickoffs. Have a complete understanding.

12. In a close game generally try to keep the tying run from getting on base. When runs ahead, turn toward playing the hitter, sacrifice a run if necessary.

13. With two outs, always get the easiest and if possible the nearest play for the third out.

14. Learn to throw from the position in which you field the ball, and in the start of a double play normally don't raise up.

15. When you are not directly involved in a play, watch the baserunners. See they touch the bases.

16. On tag ups, first baseman and third baseman get in foul territory so as to face both runner and play. It is then easy to observe whether runner holds 'til ball is touched.

ture this spring. . . .  
CLIFFORD S. SUNDBERG  
Sports Information Director  
Brandeis University  
Waltham, Mass.

From New Coach

EDITOR:

I have been named head baseball coach at New Mexico Highlands University for the 1958 baseball season.

Our school is a member of the Frontier Conference made up of Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico colleges.

I believe your publication "Collegiate Baseball Digest" is the biggest development in the publicity of baseball in college ranks in recent years. The best of luck in your enterprise.

Put me down on your mailing list as a charter subscriber.

AL CRUZ  
Baseball Coach  
Highlands University  
Las Vegas, N. M.

From The Carolinas

EDITOR:

We are happy to subscribe to the Collegiate Baseball Digest. It will certainly be of great help to those of us interested in collegiate baseball.

If we can be of future assistance, please call on us. Best wishes.

ROBERT BURCHETTE  
Sports Editor  
Catawba College  
Salisbury, N. C.



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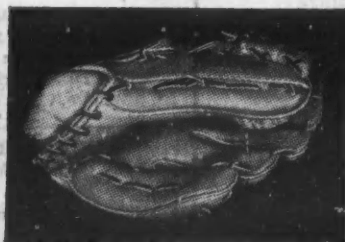
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## Delaware Mudhens Facing Tougher Schedule In '58

NEWARK, Del.—University of Delaware's Coach Harold Raymond, faced with a tougher schedule, will be moulding his 1958 team around seven returning regulars.

Coach Raymond, entering his fourth year at Delaware, announced a 24-game schedule for 1958. The Blue Hens will open against Randolph-Macon when Delaware takes to the road on its customary southern trip through the Carolinas and Virginia.

SEVEN MAJOR opponents have been added to this year's schedule, including Wake Forest, Atlantic Christian College, Bowdoin, Princeton, Upsala, Brandeis and Navy.

Back to spearhead the Delaware attack at first base for the third straight year is Captain Gene Watson. A power in the Hens' batting order, the 5-9, 180-pounder from Middletown, Del., has displayed outstanding defensive ability in addition to hitting prowess. He figured in 27 double-plays in the past season.

As a junior Watson hit .337, hitting safely 28 times in 20 games. His 11 extra base hits included 1 home run, 4 triples

and 6 doubles, and he led the team in runs scored with 22. In runs-batted-in he tied for the team lead with 19, and he was second in stolen bases with 5.

HOWEVER not all is peaches and cream. According to Coach Raymond, the success of the team will depend on still untried pitching.

Only Tony DeLucas returns from last year's pitching staff that compiled a 14-6 record. DeLucas accounted for seven of the wins and three losses.

The schedule:

Mar. 28—Randolph-Macon, Southern Trip  
Mar. 29—Wake Forest, Southern Trip  
Mar. 31—East Carolina College, Southern Trip  
Apr. 1—East Carolina College, Southern Trip  
Apr. 2—Atlantic Christian College, Southern Trip  
Apr. 3—Wm. and Mary Div. Richmond, Southern Trip  
Apr. 4—Bowdoin College, Home  
Apr. 5—Princeton, Home  
Apr. 8—Lehigh, Away  
Apr. 12—Brandeis, Home  
Apr. 14—Ursinus, Home  
Apr. 16—Swarthmore, Away  
Apr. 17—Navy, Away  
Apr. 19—Muhlenberg, Home  
Apr. 21—Villanova, Home  
Apr. 24—Johns Hopkins, Away  
Apr. 26—Upsala, Home  
Apr. 30—Washington College, Away  
May 1—Lafayette, Home  
May 7—Drexel, Away  
May 8—Franklin & Marshall, Home  
May 10—Rutgers (May Day) Home  
May 13—Temple, Away  
May 15—P.M.C., Away  
May 17—Bucknell, Away

## N. C. State Sets 21-Game '58 Schedule

RALEIGH, N. C.—A 21-game baseball schedule for North Carolina State has been released by Athletic Director Roy Clogston.

The Wolfpack, beginning its 12th year under Coach Vic Sorrell, will play 14 Atlantic Coast Conference games on a home-and-home basis with each team in the league.

IN ADDITION, the Wolfpack has a three-game series with Dartmouth and an additional contest with Wake Forest which will not count in the conference race.

Three games in the annual Dixie Classic baseball tournament complete the card. The Wolfpack's opening round opponent in the tourney is Lafayette.

Eight lettermen return from last year's team which compiled an 8-10 record. They are Pitchers Joe Jones and Jim Walch, Infielders Derris Bradshaw and John (Scotty) Hurst, Outfielders Dick Hunter, Russ Casteen and Jimmy Hill and Catcher Bob Kennel.

STATE OPENS the season March 24 against Dartmouth and concludes play May 8 against Wake Forest.

The schedule:  
March 24-25-26—Dartmouth at Raleigh  
March 31, April 1-2—Dixie Class Tourney at Winston-Salem  
April 7—Virginia at Raleigh  
April 9—South Carolina at Columbia  
April 10—Clemson at Clemson  
April 12—Wake Forest at Raleigh  
April 17—North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
April 19—Duke at Raleigh  
April 21—Virginia at Charlottesville  
April 22—Maryland at College Park  
April 26—Duke at Durham  
April 29—North Carolina at Raleigh  
May 1—Maryland at Raleigh  
May 2—South Carolina at Raleigh  
May 3—Clemson at Raleigh  
May 6—Wake Forest at Winston-Salem  
May 8—Wake Forest at Raleigh

## Scholarship Plan Boosted

(Continued from Page 1)

sport in colleges and universities," Hansen said.

He added, "We recognize the fact that there is an increasing number of college players going into organized baseball, and we want to encourage this trend."

HERE ARE the major points in the Hansen scholarship plan:

1. A scholarship will be provided each year to each participating school for aid to qualified students.

2. A policy committee will be formed with the financial aid directors of participating schools plus members of the Foundation in the group.

3. An applicant to be considered must have secured admission to the school and have supporting recommendations from his high school principal, baseball coach and a Foundation representative.

4. Students already enrolled in college must be making satisfactory progress toward their degree, be in good standing with the Office of the Dean of Men, be recommended by their baseball coach and a Foundation representative.

5. Scholarship awards will be of \$200 minimum and \$500 maximum based on individual student needs as defined by the school's aid program, rules of the N.C.A.A., rules of the conference in which the school participates, and the program provided for baseball.

6. Continuation of the scholarship program will at all times be subject to the approval of the Foundation. Neither will the Detroit Baseball Company be committed to further the career in baseball of a recipient nor will the recipient be obligated to any



## CAL EMERY

... SENSATIONAL SOUTHPAW HURLER AND FIRST-BASEMAN FROM PENN STATE UNIVERSITY, WHO LAST YEAR, AS A SOPHOMORE, WAS A UNANIMOUS CHOICE FOR THE M.V.P. AWARD IN THE COLLEGE WORLD SERIES ...

## Cap Timm Attends Fitness Meetings

MINNEAPOLIS — L. C. (Cap) Timm, president of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches, attended a meeting of the Wheaties Sports Federation here.

Representatives of most collegiate sports attended the sessions.

Bob Richards, Olympic pole-vaulting champion, was named director of the Federation which will seek to push the national fitness program.

way to the Detroit Baseball Company.

"WE ARE SINCERE in our belief that this scholarship plan will encourage boys both to play baseball and further their education with their future beyond a playing career in baseball in mind," Hansen added.

He said, "This scholarship plan compares with similar scholarships for boys in music, engineering and other vocations."

Hansen said that the plan had been sent to Commissioner Ford Frick.

"Since the bonus rule was eliminated, there is nothing in this scholarship plan that violates baseball rules and we expect him to approve," he concluded.

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## Cal Emery—Collegiate Baseball Prize Package

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.—A big, sprawling left-hander, who won 10 of 11 starts in his first season at Penn State, is college baseball's prize package.

Cal Emery, 19-year-old sophomore, won his spurs at the 1957 College World Series even though defeated, 1-0, by the title-winning University of California team, in the finale.

Emery, who at 6-2, 210 pounds is a veritable giant, gave up only three hits in his losing effort and so impressed press row that he was a unanimous choice for the Most Valuable Player award.

WHEN NOT performing on the mound, which he did twice during the series, Emery performed at first base and handled the job so well that major league scouts wondered whether he was a pitcher after all.

"He's so big and strong, and he hits such a long ball that I think he belongs on first base, or perhaps in the outfield," one scout said.

The country boy, who lives a few miles from the college campus, was one of the big reasons Penn State swept through 21 games before losing its first decision to California at Omaha, Neb.

Emery's 1.19 earned run average on the mound and his .326 batting average contributed to the best season (22-2) in Penn State baseball history.

Emery, in 52 times at bat, had 17 hits and scored 12 runs. He hit three doubles and three home runs in 24 games. The big boy also had 15 RBIs.

IN HIS 10-1 pitching record,

Emery struckout 96 batters and walked only 38 in 91 innings.

Emery displayed his clutch hitting ability last year when Manhattan had a 1-0 lead over Penn State in the District II tourney.

The game was being played in Brooklyn's Ebbets Field where many a sensational baseball fete has been pulled off. And Emery followed tradition. In the ninth inning with two out, Emery smashed a two-run homer. Penn State won, 2-1, and the next day Emery shutout St. John's of Brooklyn to send the Lions into the national championships at Omaha.

"He's a comer," his coach, Joe Bedenk, says. "He still has much to learn, but he has all the physical assets."

"Whether he belongs on the pitching mound, or elsewhere, is something I don't have to decide right now."

"Chances are he'd do well anywhere."

MT. PLEASANT — Central Michigan College has won the IAC All-Sports trophy more than any other Conference college. The Chips have won it two in a row and three times since the award was started in 1952. Eastern Michigan has won it twice.

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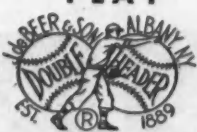
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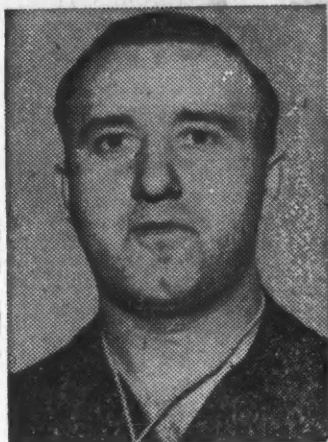
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TONY PACKER

## Lehigh Boasts Soph Standout

BETHLEHEM, Pa.—Tony Packer, a great pitcher in his own collegiate days, will be eyeing the strong right arm of another pitcher when the 1958 season rolls around for the Lehigh Engineers.

Packer, beginning his sixth year as Lehigh's varsity baseball coach, compiled a phenomenal 30-1 record in four years of pitching for St. Lawrence University.

**THIS SPRING** Packer will closely watch the development of sophomore Craig Anderson. The ace of last year's frosh staff, the burly Anderson is reputed to be one of the most promising hurlers at Lehigh in the past 10 years.

If he comes through Lehigh will have a strong mound staff led by Doug Koch, 3-2 last year, and George Rebhan (1-3). Lehigh's top hitter of last season, Outfielder Fred Homsher, returns this season. Homsher batted .294 and hit 3 home runs in 15 games.

Other starting team returnees are Walt Christie, 1b; Outfielder Walt Smith and Catcher Dick Hoogstraten, outfielders.

**PACKER**, from Miners Mills, Pa., coached freshman athletics at St. Lawrence following his 1938 graduation and then coached high school teams before moving to Lehigh in 1946.

His oldest son, Billy, is a stand-out basketball and baseball performer at Bethlehem High School where he is a senior.

Lehigh's 1958 baseball schedule:

April 2—Swarthmore  
April 3—Fairleigh-Dickinson  
April 4—Hofstra  
April 5—at Wagner  
April 6—Delaware  
April 11—Penn State  
April 12—at Muhlenberg  
April 14—at Pennsylvania  
April 19—Rutgers  
April 24—at Ursinus  
April 26—Bucknell  
May 3—Lafayette  
May 6—at Franklin & Marshall  
May 8—Muhlenberg  
May 10—at Lafayette  
May 13—Gettysburg  
May 15—Temple  
May 17—at Rutgers

## Stratton Opens First Year As Catawba Mentor

SALISBURY, N. C.—Despite the loss of four pitchers, Catawba College will send an experienced team into the 1958 North State Conference baseball race.

Harvey Stratton, Catawba baseball and football captain in 1954, opens his first season as head baseball coach of the North Carolina school.

**STRATTON WILL** be able to call on 14 returning lettermen when drills open and the Catawba Indians will be rated a strong threat in the North State race. They finished in a tie for second in the league last year.

J. T. Davis tops a good crew of outfielders and First Baseman Gene Fleming is rated an outstanding pro prospect.

Stratton will find his biggest chore in strengthening his pitching staff following the loss of four hurlers by graduation. Stratton is figuring on George Schneider, a junior who won All-State honors last season, to form the center of a young, but capable pitching staff.

## SEC Announces 1958 Schedule

The official 1958 baseball schedule for the Southeastern Conference has been announced by B. H. Moore, conference commissioner.

### WESTERN DIVISION

March 28—Alabama vs. Tulane at New Orleans; LSU vs. Mississippi State at Baton Rouge

March 29—Alabama vs. Tulane at New Orleans; LSU vs. Mississippi State at Baton Rouge

March 31—Alabama vs. LSU at Baton Rouge; Mississippi State vs. Tulane at New Orleans

April 1—Alabama vs. LSU at Baton Rouge; Mississippi State vs. Tulane at New Orleans

April 4—Alabama vs. Tulane at Tuscaloosa

April 5—Alabama vs. Tulane at Tuscaloosa

April 7—Mississippi vs. Tulane at Oxford

April 8—Mississippi vs. Tulane at Oxford

April 11—Alabama vs. Mississippi at Tuscaloosa; LSU vs. Tulane at New Orleans

April 12—Alabama vs. Mississippi at Tuscaloosa; LSU vs. Tulane at New Orleans

April 14—LSU vs. Mississippi at Oxford; Mississippi State vs. Tulane at State College

April 15—LSU vs. Mississippi at Oxford; Mississippi State vs. Tulane at State College

April 18—Alabama vs. Mississippi State at State College; Tulane vs. Mississippi at New Orleans

April 19—Alabama vs. Mississippi State at State College; Tulane vs. Mississippi at New Orleans

April 21—LSU vs. Mississippi at Baton Rouge

April 22—LSU vs. Mississippi at Baton Rouge

April 25—Alabama vs. LSU at Tuscaloosa; Mississippi vs. Mississippi State at Oxford

April 26—Alabama vs. LSU at Tuscaloosa; Mississippi vs. Mississippi State at Oxford

April 30—Alabama vs. Mississippi State at Tuscaloosa; LSU vs. Tulane at Baton Rouge

May 1—Alabama vs. Mississippi State at Tuscaloosa; LSU vs. Tulane at Baton Rouge

May 5—Alabama vs. Mississippi State at Oxford; LSU vs. Mississippi State at State College

May 6—Alabama vs. Mississippi State at Oxford; LSU vs. Mississippi State at State College

May 9—Mississippi vs. Mississippi State at State College

May 10—Mississippi vs. Mississippi State at State College

### EASTERN DIVISION

April 21—Auburn vs. Florida at Gainesville

April 22—Auburn vs. Florida at Gainesville

April 28—Auburn vs. Georgia at Auburn; Georgia Tech vs. Tennessee at Atlanta

April 29—Auburn vs. Georgia at Auburn; Georgia Tech vs. Tennessee at Atlanta (doubleheader)

April 4—Auburn vs. Vanderbilt at Auburn; Florida vs. Georgia Tech at Atlanta; Georgia vs. Kentucky at Athens

April 5—Auburn vs. Vanderbilt at Auburn (doubleheader); Florida vs. Georgia Tech at Atlanta; Georgia vs. Kentucky at Athens (doubleheader)

April 7—Florida vs. Tennessee at Knoxville

April 8—Florida vs. Tennessee at Knoxville

April 11—Auburn vs. Tennessee at Auburn; Georgia vs. Vanderbilt at Nashville; Kentucky vs. Tennessee at Knoxville

April 12—Auburn vs. Georgia Tech at Auburn; Georgia vs. Vanderbilt at Nashville (doubleheader); Kentucky vs. Tennessee at Knoxville

April 18—Auburn vs. Georgia Tech at Atlanta; Florida vs. Georgia at Gainesville; Kentucky vs. Vanderbilt at Lexington

April 19—Auburn vs. Georgia Tech at Atlanta; Florida vs. Georgia at Gainesville; Kentucky vs. Vanderbilt at Lexington

April 23—Georgia vs. Georgia Tech at Athens

April 25—Florida vs. Georgia at Athens; Georgia Tech vs. Kentucky at Lexington; Tennessee vs. Vanderbilt at Knoxville

April 26—Florida vs. Georgia at Athens; Georgia Tech vs. Kentucky at Lexington (doubleheader); Tennessee vs. Vanderbilt at Knoxville

April 28—Georgia vs. Tennessee at Athens

April 29—Georgia vs. Tennessee at Athens

May 2—Auburn vs. Georgia at Athens; Florida vs. Georgia Tech at Gainesville; Kentucky vs. Tennessee at Lexington

May 3—Auburn vs. Georgia at Athens; Florida vs. Georgia Tech at Gainesville; Kentucky vs. Tennessee at Lexington

May 5—Tennessee vs. Vanderbilt at Nashville

May 6—Tennessee vs. Vanderbilt at Nashville

May 7—Georgia vs. Georgia Tech at Athens

May 9—Auburn vs. Florida at Auburn; Georgia vs. Georgia Tech at Athens; Kentucky vs. Vanderbilt at Nashville

May 10—Auburn vs. Florida at Auburn; Georgia vs. Georgia Tech at Athens; Kentucky vs. Vanderbilt at Nashville



PETE BUTLER . . . King of Rocky Mountain baseball.

## Pete Butler -- Baseball King of the Rockies

GREELEY, Colo.—Dr. L. C. (Pete) Butler, coach of the Colorado State College Bears at Greeley, reigns as unchallenged king of collegiate baseball coaches in the Rocky Mountain Empire.

The Bears have won the Rocky Mountain Conference championship 16 times and never have finished out of first place in the conference race. Fourteen of those sixteen championships were won under Butler's tutelage.

**IN ADDITION**, the Bears have missed only one year playing in the district No. 7 NCAA championships since the play-offs were begun. In 1957 the Bears made their eighth appearance in the championships.

The 1957 play-off with Denver University, champions of the Skyline conference, went to three games, all played at Greeley. John Hogg pitched the Bears to a 5-3 victory in 13 innings in the third game of the series. He had won the first game of the series by hurling an 8-3 victory. Denver won the second game, 4-3.

At Omaha in the 1957 NCAA championship tournament, the Bears lost a close game to the University of California, 4 to 0 and were eliminated by Notre Dame, 23 to 2. John Hogg, named the most valuable player in District No. 7, allowed 11 hits, but the Californians had to bunt their hits in the third and eighth innings.

Before going to Omaha, the Bears had a 24-6 season and a 10-1 Rocky Mountain Conference record. Their final 1957 record was 24-8.

**ONLY OTHER** team to be in the NCAA finals as many times as Colorado State's six appearances is the University of Texas. The Bears reached the finals in 1948, 1949, 1952, 1953, 1955 and 1957.

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athletes ever produced at Colorado State, Dr. Butler, during his playing days from 1928 to 1931, won All-Rocky Mountain conference honors in football, baseball, and basketball.

He received his doctor of education degree from New York University in 1943. His master of arts degree, conferred in 1934, and his bachelor of arts degree, conferred in 1931, are from Colorado State College, Greeley. He was graduated from Central High School at St. Joseph, Mo. in 1926.

In World War II he was commissioned as a navy lieutenant and served 33 months in naval aviation.

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The story of college baseball's Clown Prince.

Western Michigan — Giant-Killer of the Midwest . . .

Alex Hooks of SMU writes on tips for the pitcher . . .

Plus many individual stories, pictures and schedules on college teams from throughout the country.

## Skyline Circuit Lists '58 Slate

Here is the official 1958 baseball schedule for the Mountain States Athletic Conference as released by E. L. (Dick) Romney, conference commissioner:

March 21—Colorado State vs. New Mexico at Albuquerque

March 22—Colorado State vs. New Mexico at Albuquerque

March 28—New Mexico vs. Denver at Albuquerque

March 29—New Mexico vs. Denver at Albuquerque

April 4—New Mexico vs. Wyoming at Albuquerque

April 5—New Mexico vs. Wyoming at Albuquerque; Utah vs. Utah State at Salt Lake City (doubleheader)

April 10—Utah vs. BYU at Salt Lake City

April 11—Denver vs. Wyoming at Denver

April 12—Denver vs. Wyoming at Denver; BYU vs. Utah at Provo

April 18—Wyoming vs. Colorado State C. at Greeley; Colorado State U. vs. Denver at Ft. Collins; Utah State U. vs. Montana at Logan

April 19—Wyoming vs. Colorado State C. at Laramie; Colorado State U. vs. Denver at Ft. Collins

April 22—Montana vs. BYU at Provo (doubleheader)

April 25—Wyoming vs. Colorado State U. at Ft. Collins; Utah vs. Montana at Salt Lake City (doubleheader)

April 26—Wyoming vs. Colorado State U. at Ft. Collins; Utah State U. vs. BYU at Logan (doubleheader)

April 28—New Mexico vs. Denver at Denver

April 29—New Mexico vs. Denver at Denver

April 30—New Mexico vs. Colorado State U. at Ft. Collins

May 1—New Mexico vs. Colorado State U. at Ft. Collins

May 2—Wyoming vs. New Mexico at Laramie

May 3—Wyoming vs. New Mexico at Laramie; Utah vs. Utah State U. at Logan (doubleheader); BYU vs. Montana at Missoula

May 5—Colorado State U. vs. Denver at Denver

May 9—Wyoming vs. Denver at Laramie; Utah vs. Montana at Missoula (doubleheader)

May 10—Wyoming vs. Denver at Laramie

May 15—Utah vs. BYU at Provo

May 16—Wyoming vs. Colorado State U. at Laramie; Montana vs. Utah State U. at Missoula (doubleheader)

May 17—Colorado State U. vs. Wyoming at Laramie; BYU vs. Utah at Salt Lake City

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## On Near-Fateful Junket

## 'Bama Found Japanese Sharp On Defense

Plane Mishap Over Pacific, Siege Of Asian Flu Marred Far East Trip

By JIMMY NELSON

UNIVERSITY, Ala.—It was a hectic trip, but the University of Alabama's baseballers were first-line, good-will ambassadors for Uncle Sam last summer.

Alabama, perennially one of the nation's tougher collegiate baseball teams, barnstormed through the Far East for six weeks and it was a junket the southerners won't forget.

The Crimson Tide braved a severe Asian flu siege which, at times, had 21 of 24 members sick, makeshift travel methods and a near-catastrophic airplane mishap over the Pacific Ocean to win 15 of 20 games against U. S. military bases and Japanese universities.

Athletic Publicity Director Finus Gaston reported the squad travelled over 21,912 miles from the takeoff at Tuscaloosa, Ala. (home of the University) on June 25 and arrival back home on Aug. 6. Twenty-eight contests had been scheduled in Japan, Korea, Okinawa and Honolulu, but rain cancelled eight games.

Bama's travelling party included Coach Tilden (Happy) Campbell, the school's baseball mentor for 19 seasons; H. G. Crisp, athletic director; Gaston and Jim Cummings, official University photographers for the junket.

Players were: Pitchers Bobby Ledford, Dwight Leonard, Clyde Eurick, Pete Reaves, Frank Roland, Howard Tepper, Don Adams, Mike Tamucci and Gary Freeman; Infielders Herb Kosten, Fred Frickie, Chuck Bancroft, Tony Sansone; outfielders Dale Rice, Norm Koury and Bill Walker; and Catchers Ralph Blacklock and Mack Jones. Dave Johnson was manager-trainer.

Frickie, the All-America first baseman, Bancroft Roland, an All-America pitcher as a junior in

1956, and Kosten all signed pro contracts at the end of the season in which Bama won the Western Division crown in the Southeastern Conference and lost a best-of-three games playoff to Georgia Tech, Eastern champs. Frickie signed with Cleveland; Roland, Kansas City; Bancroft, Detroit, and Kosten, Cincinnati.

Alabama was the third team, and the first chosen from the southland, to be selected by the Far East Central Welfare League (Department of the Army) to make the tour. Southern California made the trip in 1955; Ohio State in 1956.

The Asian Flu struck the club in Korea and threatened to force Coach Campbell to postpone games in Okinawa and Honolulu but with a patched-up lineup the Tide made every game. Six members of the party were forced to remain in Okinawa when the group moved into Honolulu.

On the flight from Honolulu to San Francisco the Alabamians received a real scare. After seven hours in flight, the airplane developed engine trouble and dropped a 1000-feet before heading back to Honolulu and a safe landing. All members said the drop seemed more like "ten miles" than 1000 feet.

Against Japanese collegians Alabama won one and lost one. And overall had a 15-5 mark. The Tide bowed to Rikkyo University,



SOUTHERNER IN JAPAN—Tilden (Happy) Campbell, coach of the University of Alabama baseball team is pictured here exchanging baseballs with a Japanese collegiate coach before a game on 'Bama's barnstorming Far East tour last summer.

1-0, as Roland lost a four-hitter and later blanked Kansai University, 4-0.

Athletic Director Crisp praised the Japanese teams, saying, "They are among the best fielding teams we've even seen. All of them are fast and, if you don't watch out, they'll hit away at you hard, too."

Southpaw Ledford, expected to become the ace of Bama's mound corps in 1958, compiled a 5-0 record

on the trip. Ledford had a 6-1 mark as a soph for Bama in 1957. Roland was 3-1 and batted .343 with three homers. Frickie tied Kosten for most hits, 18, and led in RBIs, 23, and total bases, 30.

The Alabama group was hailed by one Far East official as "the finest group of athletes and gentlemen ever to tour the Far East." Both Coach Campbell and Crisp said Alabama was very appreci-

ative of the honor, that it was an "outstanding achievement for Alabama and the South."

Alabama's baseball teams have won nine SEC championships in 19 years under Coach Campbell. He played on Bama's first conference champion in 1934. Four Tide outfits have performed in the NCAA playoffs. His SEC record is 205 wins, 76 losses. Alabama has sent 37 players to the major leagues since 1892.



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